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Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner of Conservation
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RE: HEARING APPLICATION
Substitute Unit Well
HOSS 7300 RA SUA
U HOSS SUL
Blackbird Company- Holstun No. 1 Well
West Arcadia Field
Bienville Parish, Louisiana
Our File No.

Dear Sir:

On behalf of BLACKBIRD COMPANY, application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston 7300 Sand, Reservoir A, and the Upper Hosston Formation in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

1. To permit the drilling, completion and production of the Blackbird Company - Holstun No. 1 Well, at the location shown on the unit plats attached hereto, and to designate said well as a substitute unit well for HOSS 7300 RA SUA and U HOSS SUL.
2. To explicitly find that the proposed substitute unit well is necessary to drain a portion of the Hosston 7300 Sand, Reservoir A, and the Upper Hosston Formation, in the West Arcadia Field underlying HOSS 7300 RA SUA and U HOSS SUL, respectively, which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well in such units.
3. To designate Blackbird Company as unit operator of HOSS 7300 RA SUA and U HOSS SUL.

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4. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Hosston 7300 Sand, Reservoir A, in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, is fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692-D, effective January 31, 1985.

The Upper Hosston Formation in the West Arcadia Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, is fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 692, effective April 1, 1965, as amended by Order 692-D, effective January 31, 1985.

The Rules of Procedure of the Commissioner of Conservation pertaining to the Pre-Application Notice requirements are not applicable to the hearing requested herein, which requires legal notice of only ten (10) days.

Pertinent data concerning the intended application will be made available for inspection at the offices of Blackbird Company, 5925 Line Avenue, Suite 7, Shreveport, Louisiana 71106. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Alan Brittain at (318) 865-8568 during normal business hours or write Mr. Brittain at the above address, in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

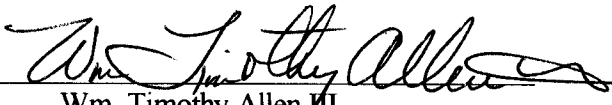
A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plats, is being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Rules of Procedure.

A check in the amount of \$1,400.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation and to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list.

Very truly yours,

BLANCHARD, WALKER, O'QUIN & ROBERTS

By: 
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Enclosures

- cc: Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport
District Manager, Office of Conservation
(w/enclosures)
- cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plats only)

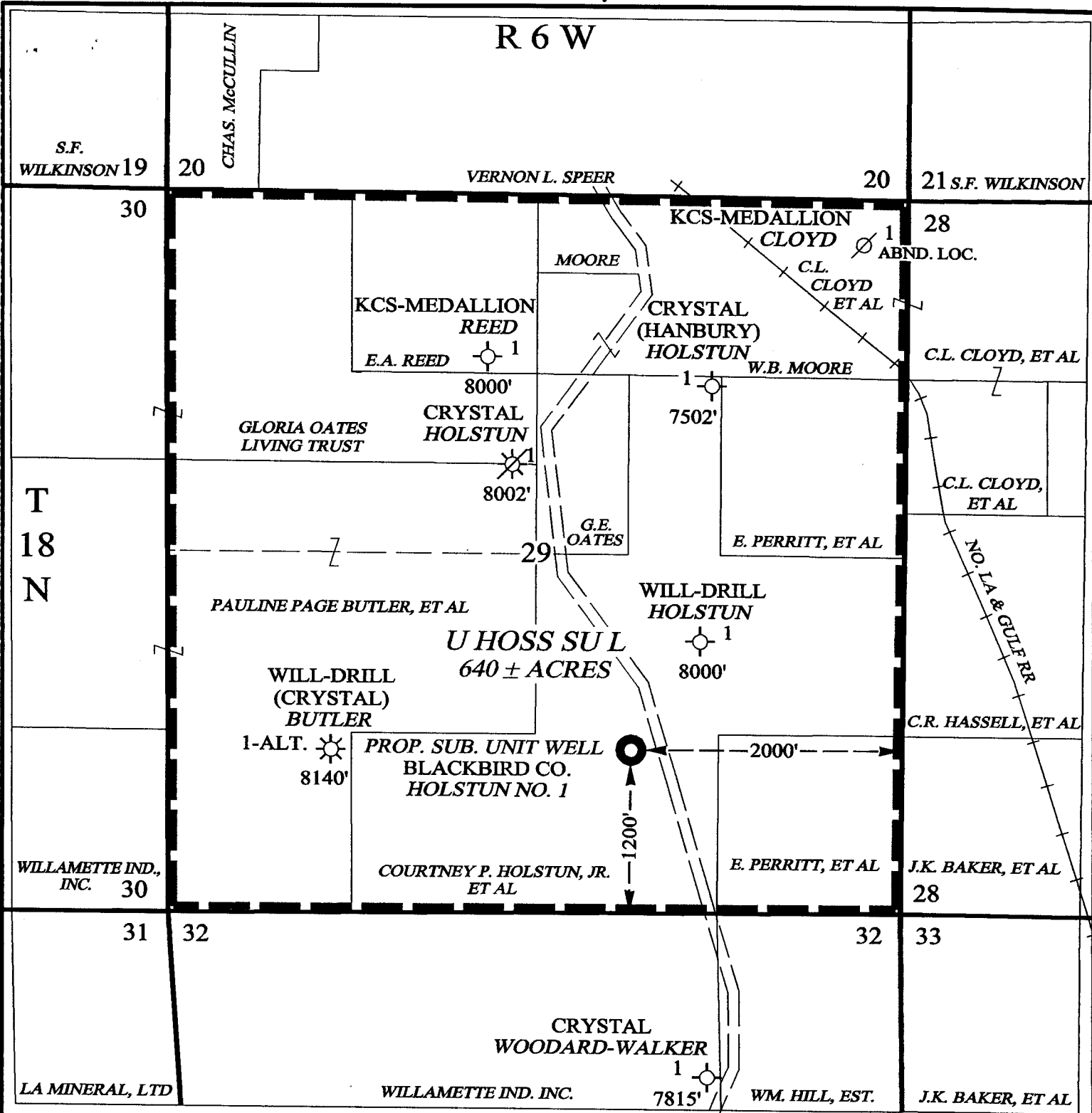


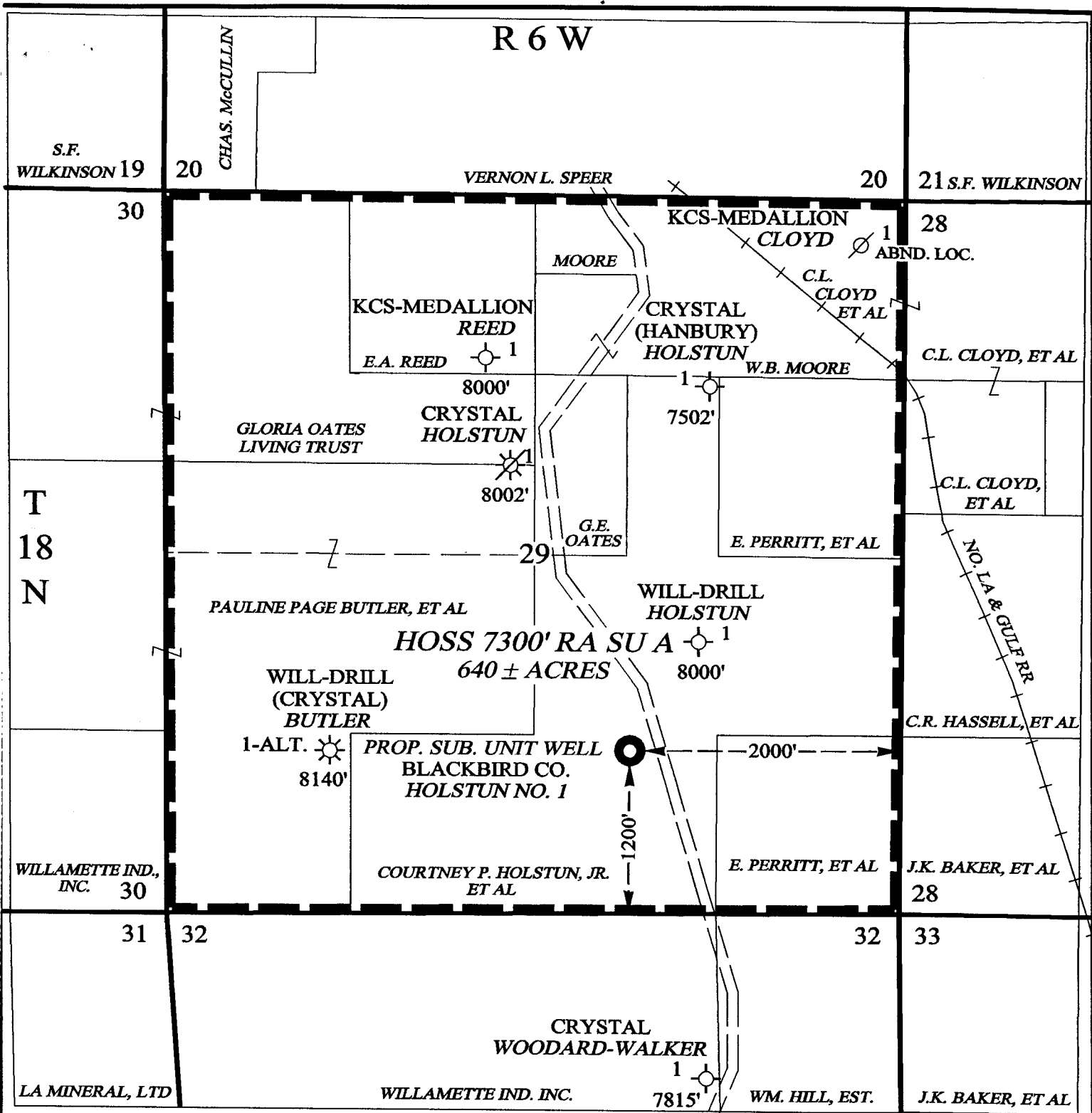
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BLACKBIRD COMPANY
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WEST ARCADIA FIELD
BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA
PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELL
FOR UPPER HOSSTON SAND UNIT L

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PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELL
FOR HOSSTON 7300' RESERVOIR A SAND UNIT A

